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REMARKS

The specification is amended to correct errors of syntax.

Claims 21-24 are added to provide Applicant with the protection to which he is deemed entitled. The newly submitted claims are directed to features associated with loading the primary, secondary, and emergency operating systems onto a headless computer. Claim 24 depends on claim 1. Claim 21, upon which claims 22 and 23 depend, is directed to a conventional computer for producing a master disk template for a headless computer. Claims 22 and 23 add features associated with the headless computer. The newly submitted claims are clearly allowable over the art of record, none of which is concerned with headless computers.

Applicant traverses the rejection of claims 1, 3-8, 11-17, 19, and 20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Watanabe (U.S. 6,763,458) and Chrabaszcz (U.S. 6,138,179).

Concerning claim 1, the Office Action states that Watanabe discloses at column 8, lines 49-54, a method of manufacturing an operating system master template for installing at least one operating system onto a computer entity. Applicant finds no mention in Watanabe of a method of manufacturing an operating system master template at column 8, lines 49-54. Applicant requests an explanation of how there is a disclosure of

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manufacturing an operating system master template for installing at least one computer system onto a computer entity at column 8, lines 49-54, of Watanabe.

The Office Action also states that Watanabe discloses at column 8, lines 54-67, installing a second of a plurality of partitions of a data storage device **only** upon said primary operating system being installed on said first of said plurality of partitions of said data storage device. Applicant is unable to find any mention of the foregoing limitation in Watanabe at column 8, lines 54-67. Applicant requests an explanation of how column 8, lines 54-67, of Watanabe discloses installing a second partition of a data storage device only upon the primary operating system being installed on the first of a plurality of partitions of the data storage device.

The rejection of claims 6, 14, and 15 is improper because it includes an allegation that Watanabe discloses, at column 8, lines 54-67, installing a second operating system on a second of a plurality of partitions of a data storage device only upon the primary operating system being installed on the first partition.

Concerning the rejection of independent claims 1, 6, 14, and 15, Applicant cannot agree that it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to have modified Watanabe to include

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the Chrabaszc feature of installing an installation component. The Office Action construes the installation component that is installed on the third partition of Applicant's data storage device as the first partition 251 of Watanabe. Watanabe uses partition 251 for data transfer and sharing between first and second operating systems relatively in partitions 252 and 253. Watanabe indicates at column 7, lines 25-28, that partition 251, used for data transfer and data sharing between two operating systems enables a rapid or fast boot capability with data sharing between the first and second operating systems. Data transfer and sharing between the first and second operating systems is unrelated to installing the first and second operating systems. Consequently, there is no reason why one of ordinary skill in the art would have modified the partition that Watanabe uses to store data transfer and sharing between the operating systems of partitions 252 and 253. The proposed combination of references is the result of impermissible hindsight gleaned from Applicant's disclosure. Consequently, the rejection of claims 1, 6, 14, and 15 based on the combination of Watanabe and Chrabaszc is wrong.

In addition, Applicant cannot agree that Chrabaszc discloses at column 7, lines 39-46, and/or column 4, lines 26-31, the claim 6 requirement to delete the installation component after installation of the first and second operating systems. The Examiner is

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requested to explain how Chrabaszc discloses deleting an installation component stored in a third partition after installation of first and second operating systems.

In addition, with respect to claim 15, Applicant can find no indication that Watanabe discloses at column 8, lines 54-58, the claim 15 requirement to create an operating system master template. The Examiner is requested to indicate how column 8, lines 54-58, of Watanabe discloses creating an operating system master template.

The rejection of claim 15 is also improper because the Office Action relies on column 42, line 62, through column 43, line 26, as disclosing loading the operating system master template into a master computer entity to create a master disk image of the operating system master template on the mastering computer entity and replicating the master disk image by loading the master disk image from the mastering computer entity onto a production computer entity. The Examiner is requested to explain how column 42, line 62, through column 43, line 26, includes the foregoing limitations.

The various rejections of dependent claims 3-5, 7, 8, 11-14, 17, 19, and 20 as being obvious as a result of Watanabe in view of Chrabaszc should be withdrawn for the same reasons as advance for the independent claims upon which these dependent claims depend.

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Applicant traverses the rejection of claims 2, 9, and 18 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Watanabe and Chrabaszczyk in view of Bearden (U.S. 6,490,723).

Bearden does not cure the deficiencies of Watanabe and Chrabaszczyk with respect to claims 1, 6, and 16, upon which claims 2, 9, and 18 depend respectively. As a result, the rejection of claims 2, 9, and 18 should be withdrawn.

Applicant traverses the rejection of claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Watanabe in view of Chrabaszczyk and further in view of Doran, Jr. (U.S. 6,385,766).

As noted in the Office Action, Doran, Jr. discloses deleting an installation component after successful installation of a database. However, Applicant cannot agree that modifying the proposed combination Watanabe and Chrabaszczyk to include the deletion of Doran, Jr., would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art. As the Office Action indicates, Doran, Jr. is concerned with deleting a database installation component, not an operating system installation component. Again, the Office Action relies on improper hindsight to combine these references.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, favorable reconsideration and allowance are deemed in order, and such action is respectfully requested.

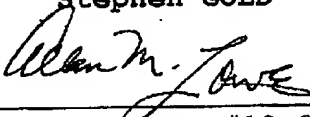
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Applicant hereby requests a two-month extension of time in which to file this response. If in error, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any prescribed fees not otherwise provided for, including extension, extra claims, and application processing fees, to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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